Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, February 10, 2003, at 11 a.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2003

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PETRI).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
February 7, 2003.
I hereby appoint the Honorable THOMAS E. PETRI to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Reverend Barry Cook, Ambassador Family Church, Oceanside, California, offered the following prayer:

Father God, we welcome You in the name of Your only son, Jesus Christ, to make petition before You on behalf of this great Nation.

We pray first for our Armed Forces. Thank You for providing America with the best-trained and -led military force in the world today. May You guide and protect those engaged in conflict. Give wisdom to everyone involved in the elimination of terrorism. Provide insight to our national authorities on ways to guard and defend the safety of all Americans, both home and abroad. Bring comfort to all those who are suffering loss as a result of various national crises.

For these Representatives today, give them wisdom to make decisions to strengthen and prosper our Nation. Cause Congress to be motivated more by Your hand than partisan or personal concern. Let all those who hear Your word turn to You for guidance, courage, and hope.

Lord, we again pray the words of George Bush, our 41st U.S. President: Be with us, as You were with our fathers. May You not leave us or forsake us, so that we may incline our hearts to You, to walk in all your ways, that all peoples of the Earth may know that the Lord is God. There is no other.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Speaker pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 6, 2003.
Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
*Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on February 6, 2003 at 9:10 a.m.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.J. Res. 18.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

MARTHA C. MORRISON,
(For Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House).

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the Speaker signed the following enrolled joint resolution on Thursday, February 6, 2003:

House Joint Resolution 18, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes.

COMMUNICATION FROM ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR, OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES, OFFICE OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Kathy A. Wyszynski, Associate Administrator, Office of Human

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